

INTRODUCTION

- * Over the past two weeks, we have considered that what we say and where we spend our money are indicators of the content of our heart. Jesus said out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks and that your heart will be planted next to your treasure.
- * Today, we will see how important the Leader of a Land is on the morality of the land. But, because of the type of governance that we have in this land, we get to choose our leaders - and we then tend to choose leaders who again reflect what is in our hearts!
- * As we consider Solomon's expression of the Impact of the Reigning King we will then consider the applicational importance of our ability to choose a leader in different realms of our lives.
- * Each day, we make a choice as to who we want to be our "Leader" - and there are MANY options! That "Leader" will be the primary influencer, instructor, and master of our lives - whether we care to admit it or not. Therefore, like Joshua we need to make a cognitive decision regarding who we, and our household, will serve. And that decision will have to be renewed daily!

INSTRUCTION**I. THE IMP _____ OF THE REIGNING KING****A. His P _____ to Rule (v. 2-7)****B. His L _____ of Power (v. 8)****C. His A _____ on the Nation (v. 9-15)**

1. THE PRIMARY AFFECT (v. 9-11)

* cf. Proverbs 11:10-11; 29:2,4, 18; 2 Chronicles 28:19

2. THE SECONDARY AFFECT (v. 12-13)

* Malachi 3:16-4:3; 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10

* 1 Timothy 2:3-4

3. THE TERTIARY AFFECT (v. 14-15)

II. THE IMP _____ OF CHOOSING YOUR LEADER**A. C _____**

* cf. Ephesians 6:5-9; Colossians 3:22-24; 1 Timothy 6:1-3; Titus 2:9-10; 1 Peter 2:18-21; Genesis 16:8-9

B. P _____

* cf. Ecclesiastes 8:2-7; Romans 13:1-7; Titus 3:1-2; 2 Kings 11:17; Deuteronomy 17:8-20; Matthew 22:21

C. E _____

* cf. Hebrews 13:7,17; 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13; 1 Timothy 5:17; 1 Corinthians 11:1; Philippians 3:12-19;

* cf. Matthew 10:24-25; James 3:1; 1 Peter 5:2-4; 1 Timothy 3:1-7

D. P _____

* cf. Romans 6:11-16; Joshua 24:14-15; Matthew 6:24; 1 Corinthians 6:12; Matthew 24:43-51; John 13:12-17

INTROSPECTION

- * Who is the "Master" of Your Life? Who are you "Following"?
- * Who is Reigning in Your Heart?
- * Does the "wickedness" of this land truly bother you? Do you believe that our leaders are leading in righteousness?
- * Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * How can we ensure that we remain committed to worshipping and serving YHWH in Spirit and in Truth?
- * In our form of governance, how can we make a righteous impact in our communities, state, and nation?